



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

Correspondence Received

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
LINDSEY P. HORVATH
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

			The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:	
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
6.		Favor	BARBARA B Wilson	
			Craig Pulsipher	
			Duncan Mandel	WE MUST DO THIS!!!
			Eve Rubell	Please approve this important motion.
			Hai-Lang Duong	
			JAMIE LUNSFORD	
			Jennifer T Williams	
			Joyce D Roberts-Stein	
			Kristina Burgos	
			Lisa Garcia	
			Loretta (Worthington	
			Lydia Lo	
			Manjit Bhandal	
			Masaru Negi	
			Nicole Turnier	
			Pamela Dyne	
			Ray fossati	
			Regan C Mozingo	Absolutely necessary with all the hairbrained attempts to disenfranchise consenting adults trying to build a life.

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6.		Favor	Scott W Martin	Honorable Supervisors Hilda Solis and Lindsey Horvath; I write to you on behalf of myself and my husband, Randal Black asking that you and the balance of the Los Angeles County Board or Supervisors support Assembly Constitutional Amendment (ACA) 5, rescinding Proposition 8 from the California Constitution. We implore you all do send a letter of support to Assemblymember Evan Low and Senator Scott Wiener with a copy to the Los Angeles County Legislative delegation. That this menacing relic of a Proposition still sits in the shadows waiting for hatred and discrimination to fan the fire again to possibly take away the rights of two people to marry someone they love has no place waiting in our State's Constitution to be resurrected by hate mongering people. Proposition 8 should be forever rescinded from our Constitution and thrown out. Thank you for being champions to protect those who bully's find as vulnerable targets and sending the message, 'not on my watch!'. Scott W. Martin Randal J. Black
			tracey samko	
		Oppose	Alex Dosh	
			Jose Goles	
			Naomi L Burn	As stated in the motion, "voters approved the measure (proposition 8)." For Supervisors Solis and Horvath to then say the vote was "shocking and disturbing" and that it "cut against the state's values" is an affront to the power and agency of the people. If the "state's values" are not represented by the voters, by whom ARE they represented? The voters who approved Prop 8 are the same voters who elect you and whose taxes provide your budgets. If you believe that public sentiment has changed since then, you can advocate to put it to the ballot again. But don't dare denigrate and gaslight the closely held convictions of your (1) employers, (2) neighbors and (3) constituents - THE VOTERS.
			Vartan Hovsepyan	
		Item Total	24	
		Grand Total	24	

February 23, 2023

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Scott W. Martin

Randal J. Black



February 27, 2023

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street, Room 383
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: SUPPORT – Item 6: Enshrine Marriage Equality in the California Constitution

Dear Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

Equality California commends Supervisor Hilda L. Solis and Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath for introducing the motion in support of California Assembly Constitutional Amendment (ACA) 5 by Assemblymember Evan Low and Senator Scott Wiener. ACA 5 is intended to protect same-sex marriage by removing Proposition 8 from our state's constitution. In 2008, Proposition 8 declared "only marriage between a man and a woman" as valid or recognized in California. It's time for California voters to repeal Proposition 8 and reaffirm that marriage for same-sex couples is settled law.

For more than twenty years, Equality California has led the Golden State's fight for full LGBTQ+ equality. We bring the voices of LGBTQ+ people and allies to institutions of power in California and across the United States, striving to create a world that is healthy, just, and fully equal for all LGBTQ+ people. We advance civil rights and social justice by inspiring, advocating, and mobilizing through an inclusive movement that works tirelessly on behalf of those we serve.

Although marriage equality is currently protected by Judge Vaughn Walker's 2010 ruling striking down Proposition 8 and the 2015 Supreme Court decision in *Obergefell v. Hodges*, it has become increasingly clear that the Supreme Court cannot be trusted to protect our civil rights. Last year, in a ruling overturning 50 years of precedent on the federal right to abortion, Justice Clarence Thomas called for striking down the *Obergefell* decision. Every American committed to preserving freedom and dignity for LGBTQ+ families needs to take that threat seriously.

The recent passage of the Respect for Marriage Act was an important step forward — it requires the federal government to recognize same-sex and interracial marriages and affirms that states must recognize valid marriage licenses from other states — but it does not require states to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples. ACA 5 is an important and necessary step to preserve our basic civil rights and ensure that LGBTQ+ equality is written into our state constitution. I urge you to vote yes on the motion. If you have any questions, please contact our Legislative Director, Craig Pulsipher, at craig@eqca.org.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director
Equality California

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